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## **AMENDMENT "A"**

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Responsive to the office action dated September 8, 1998, please enter the following amendments and consider the accompanying remarks.

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**IN THE CLAIMS:**

**Please amend claims 1, 8-15 and 17-21 as follows.**